STATE OF WASHINGTON



OFFICE OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

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In the Matter of)		No. D 01-80
)	(Order Levying a
RANGER INSURANCE COMPANY)	I	Fine
)		
An Authorized Insurer)		

FINDINGS OF FACT:

- 1. Ranger Insurance Company ("Ranger") is an authorized insurer admitted to do business in the State of Washington.
- 2. On May 31, 2001, the Legal Affairs Division of the Office of the Insurance Commissioner for Washington State ("OIC") requested that Ranger forward copies of its internal audit documents for the preceding two years.
- 3. The OIC required this information in conjunction with its enforcement efforts related to Ranger's sale of insurance contracts using unapproved forms and disallowed rates.
- 4. Ranger failed to respond and failed to forward the requested documents within fifteen business days.
- 5. WAC 284-30-650 requires a carrier to respond to OIC requests for information within fifteen business days.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

- 1. Ranger's failure to respond to the OIC's demand for information dated May 31, 2001 violates WAC 284-30-650.
- 2. RCW 48.05.185 provides the OIC with the authority to impose fines for violation of its regulations.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pursuant to RCW 48.05.185, the Insurance Commissioner imposes a fine of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) on Ranger Insurance Company. The fine shall be paid by the Company within thirty days of the date of entry of this Order. Failure to pay the fine within the allotted time shall constitute grounds for revocation of the Company's Certificate of Registration, and for the recovery of the fine in a civil action brought on behalf of the Insurance Commissioner by the Attorney General of the State of Washington.

ENTERED AT OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON this 19th day of July, 2001.

MIKE KREIDLER Insurance Commissioner

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